

Sermon Title: **“UNDER PRESSURE”**

James 1:1

- The way of \_\_\_\_\_ is ALWAYS by God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and offered through \_\_\_\_\_ in the person and work of Jesus
- Being transformed and conformed to the \_\_\_\_\_ of God requires believers to \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ old sinful practices and \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ new Godly ones
- “\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_” = one who is subservient; entirely at the disposal of his \_\_\_\_\_
  - In the \_\_\_\_\_, it allowed for an indentured servant to \_\_\_\_\_ remain on as a bond-servant (Exodus 21:2 & 5-6)
  - Voluntarily entrusting \_\_\_\_\_ of our lives into God’s hands and once \_\_\_\_\_ surrendered this was permanent
  - James opens this letter to other believers by highlighting his \_\_\_\_\_, which was their \_\_\_\_\_, bond-servant
- This intense \_\_\_\_\_, which threatened the believers in Jerusalem, caused them to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for their own safety
- “\_\_\_\_\_” = carries the idea of seeds being scattered (like a \_\_\_\_\_ throwing out seeds for planting)
  - God used this persecution to \_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel
  - God sometimes allows these \_\_\_\_\_ into our lives to expose unaddressed dormant \_\_\_\_\_ issues
  - How can I \_\_\_\_\_ God in this \_\_\_\_\_ situation?
- “\_\_\_\_\_” = salutations; be well; thrive; \_\_\_\_\_ exceedingly
  - God wants us to focus on our Savior – \_\_\_\_\_ and realize these trials AREN’T pointless – there’s a \_\_\_\_\_